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SUBJECT: CSCE DEVELOPMENTS -- JULY 1

1. FOLLOWING IS STATUS REPORT ON CSCE DEVELOPMENTS TO NOON, JULY 1.

2. TIMING. THE WAR OF NERVES CONTINUED IN THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE TODAY, AS THE SOVIETS STEPPED UP PRESSURE FOR A LATE JULY SUMMIT, AND THE ALLIES AND NEUTRALS CONTINUED TO HOLD THEIR GROUND ON DEMANDS THAT FINAL COMPROMISES FIRST BE REACHED ON REMAINING SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES. ITALY, AS NEW CHAIRMAN OF EC NINE, EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF CONCLUDING BASKET 2 TEXTS SOON, IN ADDITION TO TYING UP LOOSE ENDS ON MANEUVER CBM, QRR, FOLLOW-UP AND FINAL DOCUMENT. OUR CSCE DELEGATION STILL BELIEVES IT POSSIBLE TO REACH AGREEMENT ON STAGE III SUMMIT BEFORE THE END OF JULY, DESPITE MANY DETAILS YET TO BE IRONED OUT.

3. CBM. THERE HAS BEEN NO PROGRESS IN BRIDGING DIFFERENCES BETWEEN UK-SUGGESTION OF 275 KMS FOR NOTIFICATION ZONE IN USSR, AND SOVIET POSITION THAT MOSCOW WILL GO NO FURTHER THAN 250 KMS. HOWEVER, SOVIETS
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PROPOSED COMPROMISE ON VOLUNTARY NOTIFICATION OF MILITARY
MOVEMENTS.

4. QRR. THE FRENCH CONTINUE TO EXPERIENCE DIFFICULTY
WITH SPAIN AND ROMANIA, IN PARTICULAR, ON QRR TEXT,
BUT ARE MANEUVERING TOWARD ITS PROVISIONAL REGISTRATION
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

5. BASKET 3. MINOR LAST MINUTE DIFFICULTIES, INCLUDING
TRANSLATION PROBLEMS, HAVE DELAYED PROVISIONAL REGISTRA-
TION OF ALL BASKET 3 TEXTS. REGISTRATION COULD TAKE
PLACE, HOWEVER, AT ANY TIME THIS WEEK. INGERSOLL

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